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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: EAIR, BR
SUBJ: CIVAIR - DISCRIMINATORY BRAZILIAN PRACTICES AGAINST PANAM

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1. SINCE REQUESTING DEPT'S COMMENTS, EMB HAS PREPARED SUBMISSION BASED ON PANAM'S MEMORANDUM, WHICH HAS CONCURRENCE OF PANAM REP IN RIO. WE ARE CABLING TEXT FOR DEPT'S FINAL REVIEW. ONCE DEPT HAS GIVEN CONCURRENCE, WE PLAN TO MAKE PRESENTATIONS TO CENTRAL BANK (FERNAO BRACHER, DIRECTOR FOR EXTERNAL OPERATIONS), FINANCE MINISTRY, CERNAL, AND FOREIGN MINISTRY.

2. CONTRARY TO OUR EARLIER THINKING, SUBMISSION NOW IS IN FORM OF A MEMORANDUM; ANALYSIS OF PANAM'S COMPLAINTS SHOWS THAT MAJORITY OF THESE DERIVE FROM CENTRAL BANK REGULATIONS OR LEGISLATION FOR WHICH FINANCE MINISTRY HAS PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY. THUS THESE TWO AGENCIES SHOULD BE PRIMARY FOCUS OF EMBASSY'S EFFORT. CONVERSELY, BASED ON PAST EXPERIENCE, THERE IS NO REASON TO
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THINK FORMIN WOULD BE PARTICULARLY HELPFUL

IN THIS MATTER. FROM ITS POLITICAL
PERSPECTIVE, FONMIN AT PRESENT SEEMS TO
PREFER HOLDING EXISTING ISSUES IN ABEYANCE,
TO NEGOTIATE THEM WITH THE NEW US
ADMINISTRATION (VIDE CANCELLATION OF
MARITIME TALKS.)

3. PROPOSED SUBMISSION COVERS SUBSTANTIALLY
MOST OF DEPT'S COMMENTS. EXCEPTION IS THE
ISSUE OF COMMUNICATIONS TO WHICH REFTEL
ATTACHED CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE. WE BELIEVE
THIS PROBLEM SHOULD BE THE SUBJECT OF A SEPARATE
SUBMISSION DIRECTLY TO DEPV (DEPT OF
ELECTRONICS AND FLIGHT PROTECTION). DEPT MAY
WISH TO PROVIDE EMBASSY WITH POSSIBLE
TEXT AMPLIFYING ITS COMMENTS IN REFTEL
PARA 3.K.

4. IN VIEW OF BRANIFF'S POSITION, SUBMISSION
WILL REFER TO PANAM BY NAME RATHER THAN TO
"US CARRIERS". CONGEN RIO HAS ADVISED
PANAM'S RIO REP OF THIS MODIFICATION, AND
RECEIVED GO-AHEAD FOR FULL PRESENTATION.
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